

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

P0 CH2004/000754

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7 C07C255/41 A61K31/277 A61P25/16 C07C253/30

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 C07C

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ, BEILSTEIN Data, CHEM ABS Data, EMBASE, BIOSIS

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

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C.(Continuation) DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
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Y	<p>HALEBLIAN J K: "CHARACTERIZATION OF HABITS AND CRYSTALLINE MODIFICATION OF SOLIDS AND THEIR PHARMACEUTICAL APPLICATIONS"</p> <p>JOURNAL OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES, AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. WASHINGTON, US, vol. 64, no. 8, August 1975 (1975-08), page 1269, XP009031935</p> <p>ISSN: 0022-3549</p> <p>page 1269 - page 1274</p> <p>-----</p>	1-18

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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

Although claim 18 relates to a method for treatment of the human or animal body, the search was carried out and was based on the stated effects of the compound or composition.
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3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
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Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
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- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
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Box III

The International Searching Authority has determined that this international application contains multiple (groups of) inventions, as follows:

1. Claims 1-18

Crystalline forms C, D and E of entacapone, production and use thereof.

2. Claims 19-21

Method for producing entacapone.

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Information on patent family members

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